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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
ART UNIT: 1637**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Filing Date: January 5, 2001
Applicants: Brookes et al.
Title: **DETECTION OF NUCLEIC ACID POLYMORPHISM**

Group Art Unit: 1637
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**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION OF SEPTEMBER 11, 2002
(37 CFR §1.116)**

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AMENDMENTS

Please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims (37 CFR §1.121(c)):

- Please cancel claims 6, 19, 32, and 45 without prejudice to further prosecution of these claims in one or more continuing applications.
- Please amend claims 1, 7, 9, 11, 14, 20, 22, 24, 27, 33, 35, 37, 40, 46, 48, and 50 as set forth in the following pages. Changes in the claims' content are indicated in the accompanying Amendment Sheet illustrating the amended claims and marking the changes made therein.

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